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## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Minutes of Meeting October 6, 2015

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Brian McCracken, and Commissioner James Zwetzig in attendance with Commissioner Laura Teague absent. Chairman Brian McCracken called the meeting to order and asked Morgan County Sheriff James Crone to lead the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of Minutes dated September 29, 2015  
Ratify Chairman Brian McCracken's signature on Discharge Ability of Account through Bankruptcy, Ambulance Services, dated September 30, 2015  
Ratify Commissioner Laura Teague's signature on Recommendation Letter, Colorado Agriculture Hall of Fame, dated October 1, 2015.  
Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of Contract 2015 CNT 178, Hill Petroleum, Fuel/Diesel Purchases, Term of Contact October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016  
Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of Contract 2015 CNT 179, SRI Incorporated, Online Tax Lien Auction Services, September 1, 2015 until completed scope of services.  
Ratify the Board of County Commissioners approval of waiver of fairground rental fees - Knight of Columbus

Commissioner Zwetzig summarized a letter that was signed and sent by Commissioner Laura Teague to the Colorado Agriculture Hall of Fame Selection Committee, dated October 1, 2015 which should be added to the consent agenda. He further stated the County is supporting the nomination of Harold Griffith who has worked his entire life as a water negotiator and is a great agricultural asset to Morgan County.

Commissioner Zwetzig then asked to remove number 1 from the Consent Agenda asking to further clarify the information that had been stated during last week's meeting to match what was indicated in the written and signed Right of Way Permits, 2015 PMT 31 and 2015 PMT 32.

Commissioner Zwetzig then made the motion to approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Chairman McCracken seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Zwetzig then made the motion to clarify the correct stated distances as shown on the Right of Way Permits, 2015 PMT 31 and 2015 PMT 32 with Chairman McCracken seconding the motion and motion carried 2-0.

### GENERAL BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

**Consideration of Approval – RESOLUTION – 2015 BCC 28 – Resolution to Adopt Supplemental Budget – Morgan County Lodging and Tourism Fund**

RESOLUTION  
2015 BCC 28

### **RESOLUTION TO ADOPT SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET Morgan County Lodging and Tourism Fund**

A resolution appropriating additional sums of money to defray expenses in excess of amount budgeted for Morgan County, Colorado.

**WHEREAS**, unforeseen circumstances at the time of budget adoption have occurred that require this contingency measure, and

**WHEREAS**, the money to finance the contingency is available in the same fund in the form of restricted surpluses,

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO:

That the 2015 appropriation for the Morgan County Lodging and Tourism Fund is hereby increased from \$110,400 to \$150,000 and the sum of \$39,600 is hereby transferred from restricted fund balance in the Morgan County Lodging and Tourism Fund to be used in 2015.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO**

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s/ Brian K. McCracken  
Brian K. McCracken, Chairman

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s/Laura D. Teague  
Laura D. Teague, Commissioner

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s/ James P. Zwetzig

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James P. Zwetzig, Commissioner

(SEAL)

**ATTEST:**

s/ Susan L. Bailey  
Susan L. Bailey, Clerk to the Board

Morgan County Finance Director Michelle Covelli presented to the Board for approval, Resolution 2015 BCC 28, a Resolution to Adopt a Supplemental Budget for the Morgan County Lodging and Tourism Fund. Ms. Covelli stated the public hearing was held Tuesday, September 29, 2015 with no public comment. She asked the Board to approve the resolution as presented and explained there are additional revenues the Lodging and Tourism Fund received this year due to an increase in lodging taxes.

Chairman McCracken stated these funds are utilized to supplement tourism in the County which is collected through lodging taxes.

Commissioner Zwetzig made a motion to approve Resolution 2015 BCC 28, a Resolution to Adopt a Supplemental Budget – Morgan County Lodging and Tourism Fund, as outlined by Morgan County Finance Director Michelle Covelli. Chairman McCracken seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0.

## **Consideration of Approval – RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT – 2015 PMT 33 – City of Fort Morgan Light and Power**

Morgan County Road Supervisor John Goodman presented to the Board for approval, Right of Way Permit 2015 PMT 33, with City of Fort Morgan Light and Power. Mr. Goodman stated this permit is for the purpose of installation of new service to a new residence, whereas the City of Fort Morgan will be boring electrical lines under County Road Q at a starting point of 2,190 feet east of County Road 19 on the South Right of Way of County Road Q and ending on the north side of County Road Q, located in Fort Morgan, Morgan County, Colorado. Mr. Goodman stated he has completed the necessary inspection and all fees are attached in the amount of \$158.00.

Commissioner Zwetzig made a motion to approve Right of Way Permit 2015 PMT 33 with City of Fort Morgan Light and Power as stated on the permit presented by Mr. Goodman and authorized the Chair to sign and noted the fees are attached. Chairman McCracken seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0.

## **Consideration of Approval – CONTRACT - 2015 CNT 177 – Gerald and Delores Carpenter**

Morgan County Ambulance Director Joe King presented to the Board for approval Contract 2015 CNT 177 with Gerald and Delores Carpenter. Mr. King stated this contract is for the purchase of property located at 617 Hospital Road, Brush, Colorado for construction of a building to be utilized by the Morgan County Ambulance Department. Mr. King further stated this real estate contract to construct a new ambulance building in which the County has recently received DOLA funding for assisting in the construction. Commissioner Zwetzig further elaborated regarding the agreement explaining the seller as Gerald D. Carpenter and Delores E. Carpenter, who are the current owners of this parcel of land located at 617 Hospital Road, Brush, CO. Chairman McCracken thanked Commissioner Zwetzig for his efforts in getting this agreement in place explaining it will be an asset to the County.

Commissioner Zwetzig made a motion to approve Contract 2015 CNT 177 with Gerald D. and Delores E. Carpenter as outlined by Mr. King in the amount of \$45,000.00 utilizing enterprise funds as well as DOLA (Department of Local Affairs) grant funds and authorized the Chair to sign. Chairman McCracken seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Zwetzig stated this will allow for a two bedroom residence with two bays to be built for the Brush Ambulance and explained the current facility is too small and stated other options had been looked at and feels this will be the best option for the County.

## **RECOGNITION – National 4-H Week October 4, 2015 – October 10, 2015**

Morgan County Commissioner James Zwetzig presented to the Board information recognizing National 4-H Week which commenced October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 through October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Commissioner Zwetzig stated he is proud to present this today recognizing National 4-H Week and introduced Janice Dixon, Morgan County Extension Advisor as well as members of the Morgan County 4-H Program. Ms. Janice Dixon approached the podium and summarized the 4-H program indicating locally they have about 400 members and 17 clubs participating and is also working with additional youth in the local area schools and their science programs. She stated there are about 100 volunteers who assist the programs throughout the County. At this time, she introduced Wade Hofmeister and McKenna Carlock to talk a little more about the 4-H programs in Morgan County.

Both McKenna Carlock and Wade Hofmeister introduced themselves to the Board. Mr. Hofmeister then presented each Commissioner with a gift from the 4-H council and further thanked the board for their efforts in touching their lives over the past years. He further explained he attended a national conference in Washington D.C. and stated 4-H has helped him immensely with public speaking and organizational skills. He stated he has been able to be more active in the community and feels it is a very rewarding and awesome experience. Commissioner Zwetzig asked about his efforts at the State Fair, with Mr. Hofmeister stating he participated in a judging team in which took place

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in the State of Pennsylvania in which the team placed 8th out of 52 teams. Wade introduced his parents, Brad and Cindy Hofmeister to the Board at this time. He further stated his major projects as being Dairy Cattle, and stated he is currently the 4-H President.

McKenna Carlock then spoke to the Board stating she is the incoming Council President and the current District Secretary for Morgan and Logan Counties combined. She stated her projects as being Vet Science, Poultry and Dairy. She stated she received reserved champion in Vet Science, and senior reserved grand champion in Vet Science. She further explained other major accomplishments she has received over the past few years stating she received 4<sup>th</sup> in her market class in Poultry, 7<sup>th</sup> and Dairy and 4<sup>th</sup> in the Catch It Contest. At this time she introduced her mother, Deb Carlock to the Board.

Chairman McCracken expressed his appreciation to the parents and explained it is a valuable program to the community. Both Chairman McCracken and Commissioner Zwetzig thanked and recognized Jody Meyer for her efforts with the 4-H Program over the last several years for Morgan County.

## COUNTY OFFICIAL AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Commissioners reviewed the calendar dated October 2, 2015 through October 13, 2015 with changes.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Zwetzig announced the Board received an email from Goodwill Industries who has indicated they will be picking up the goodwill bins in Morgan County and that these bins will no longer be available to the community for electronic recycling. All donations and/or recyclable electronics will be accepted at the local Goodwill Store located on Main Street, Fort Morgan, CO.

## LIQUOR LICENSES

At this time, the Board of County Commissioners convened as the Morgan County Liquor License Authority in the matters of:

### **Liquor or 3.2 Beer License Renewal – Liquor Store (County)**

**Licensee: Robada, LLC dba High Plains Liquor**

**Owner/Operating Manager: Alexandra Keenan**

Morgan County Clerk and Recorder Susan Bailey presented to the Board a liquor license renewal application submitted by Robada, LLC doing business as High Plains Liquor for a Liquor Store (county) license. Ms. Bailey stated that she has received the necessary documents and all fees have been submitted. She asked the Morgan County Sheriff's Department to report at which time Sheriff James Crone indicated he had nothing to report.

Chairman McCracken opened the matter for public comment at which time no comment followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zwetzig to approve the liquor license renewal for Robada, LLC doing business as High Plains Liquor and authorized the Chair to sign. Chairman McCracken seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0.

### **Liquor or 3.2 Beer License Renewal – Hotel and Restaurant (County)**

**Licensee: Graciela Cerna dba Home Plate 1**

**Owner/Operating Manager: Graciela Cerna**

Morgan County Clerk and Recorder Susan Bailey presented to the Board a liquor license renewal application submitted by Graciela Cerna doing business as Home Plate 1 for a Hotel and Restaurant (county) license. Ms. Bailey stated that she has received the necessary documents and all fees have been submitted. She asked the Morgan County Sheriff's Department to report at which time Sheriff James Crone indicated he had nothing to report.

Chairman McCracken opened the matter for public comment at which time no comment followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zwetzig to approve the liquor license renewal for Graciela Cerna doing business as Home Plate 1 and authorized the Chair to sign. Chairman McCracken seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0.

### **Liquor or 3.2 Beer License Renewal – Liquor Store (County)**

**Licensee: 10G, Inc dba Wayward Wind Liquor**

**Owner: Amanprit Kaur**

**Operating Manager: Shinda Singh**

Morgan County Clerk and Recorder Susan Bailey presented to the Board a liquor license renewal application submitted by Amanprit Kaur doing business as Wayward Wind Liquor for a Liquor Store (county) license. Ms. Bailey stated that she has received the necessary documents and all fees have been submitted. She asked the Morgan County Sheriff's Department to report at which time Sheriff James Crone indicated he had nothing to report.

Chairman McCracken opened the matter for public comment at which time no comment followed.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Zwetzig to approve the liquor license renewal for Amanprit Kaur doing business as Wayward Wind Liquor and authorized the Chair to sign. Chairman McCracken seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0.

## **CITIZEN'S COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no citizen comments.

Clerk and Recorder Susan Bailey announced that ballots will be sent to all registered voters by mail Tuesday, October 13, 2015 and for all to look for their ballot to return the Clerk and Recorder's Office as soon as they are able. She explained it has been an exciting time in her office!

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan L. Bailey  
Clerk to the Board

(Minutes ratified October 13, 2015)

## **THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MORGAN COUNTY, COLORADO**

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s/ Brian D. McCracken  
Brian K. McCracken, Chairman

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s/ James P. Zwetzig  
James P. Zwetzig, Commissioner

(SEAL)

## **ATTEST:**

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